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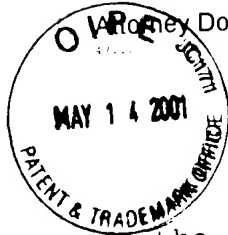
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Sir:

This paper is being filed in response to the Official Action dated February 14, 2001 in connection with the above-identified patent application. Please enter the following amendments and reconsider the application in light of the accompanying remarks.

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Replace the paragraph on page 1, between lines 7 and 12, inclusive, with the following paragraph:

Batting, boards and other composite products for thermal and acoustical insulation typically include one or more layers of a low density web of nonwoven fiber or foamed insulating material. Frequently, improved properties and enhanced performance are sought by coating a face of the composite with a cover layer. For example, to increase stiffness, provide puncture protection, or reduce permeability, paper, foil, and/or film is sometimes laminated to the face.